

## KENTUCKY IS AWAKE.

Commercial Convention Will Be a Grand Success.

EVERYBODY INTERESTED IN IT.

Industrial Development Is One Thing Desired.

REMARKABLE SPIRIT OF PROGRESS

It is Not for the Benefit of a Class, but for the Masses—Many Important Subjects Will Be Discussed by Those Most Competent to Handle Them—Promotion and Development Are to Be Considered to the Exclusion of Less Profitable Things.

Kentucky's first state commercial convention, to be held in Louisville May 11 and 12, is to be a success. The movement in that direction has progressed far enough to assure those engineering it of that fact.

It is to be a success because the lawyer, the farmer, the merchant, the manufacturer, the lumber dealer, the mine owner, the stock raiser, the banker and the journalist will all unite in one grand effort to push Kentucky and her untold resources to the front. It is to be a success because business talks are to take the place of political speeches; because promotion and development are to be discussed to the exclusion of less profitable things; finally it is to be a success because the time is ripe for a state commercial convention to be a success.

Less than two months ago several progressive business men, members of the Louisville Commercial club, held a meeting in Louisville to formulate plans for a convention which would have for its object the creation of a sentiment favorable to industrial development, teaching the benefits of such a course and to prepare literature setting forth Kentucky's advantages. This little gathering was followed by larger ones until the bit of enterprise that was manifested in the first meeting burst into a spirit of progress that was made to permeate the entire state. The convention soon assumed tangible form. An executive committee, with representatives from every congressional district, was named, as were committees on delegation, press and publicity, finance, transportation, hall, entertainment, and delegation state at large. Mr. Clarence Dailam, a well known and popular young attorney of Louisville, who is a native of Henderson, but was for many years identified with Paducah as a lawyer, was elected chairman, and Mr. J. C. Van Pelt, assistant secretary of the Commercial club, secretary.

Thus industry's star of promotion rose rapidly. A meeting was held at which seven of the 11 districts had prominent representation, and a program was arranged, the following subjects being selected as those that are to be discussed during the convention:

"Kentucky's Advantages — Geographical, Climate and Soil."  
"Our Agricultural Opportunities and Needs."

"Our Industrial Opportunities and Needs."

"The Best System of State and Local Taxation."

"How May Capital Be Best Attracted to and Most Profitably Employed in Kentucky?"

"Immigration—The Best Method of Encouraging Desirable Immigration."  
"Corporations—Uses and Abuses—A Just Discrimination the Part of Wisdom."

"Railroads—The Greatest Source of Development, and How Best to Employ It."

"Good Roads—Essential to Progress and Prosperity."

"Administration of Justice—Its Delays and Costs."

"Reform in Commercial Laws—Assignments, Commercial Paper, Mortgage Liens."

"Land Titles—How to Expedite the Settlement Of."

It was then agreed that the following named gentlemen should be invited to attend the convention and deliver speeches on the subjects mentioned:

Major P. P. Johnston, Lexington.  
C. P. Garrett, Hopkinsville.  
M. S. Scoville, Lexington.  
Henry Watterson, Louisville.  
John B. Atkinson, Earlinton.  
Charles T. Ballard, Louisville.  
William J. Hendrick, Frankfort.  
W. G. Welch, Stanford.  
John Young Brown, Louisville.  
John W. Lewis, Springfield.  
B. G. Witt, Henderson.  
S. A. Denham, Williamsburg.  
General Roy Stone, Washington, D. C.

G. E. Johnson, Louisville.  
John W. Yerkes, Danville.  
Henry Burnett, Paducah.  
R. C. Kinkead, Louisville.  
C. U. McElroy, Bowling Green.  
James G. Black, Barbourville.  
Thomas S. Pettit, Owensboro.  
J. M. Atherton, Louisville.  
M. H. Crump, Bowling Green.  
J. C. S. Blackburn, Washington, D. C.  
Douglas Putman, Ashland.  
Andrew Cowan, Louisville.  
J. Stoddard Johnston, Louisville.  
Alex P. Humphrey, Louisville.

Besides the addresses of these gentlemen—27 of the state's most prominent professional and business men—it was decided to select several leading citizens from all parts of Kentucky to make some five-minute talks.

In the meantime a call for the convention had been distributed throughout the state for signers, and in a brief space of time it went back to Louisville with 257 names, representing a majority of the counties.

This call stated emphatically that it was not made to any class of citizens, but to all men who are concerned in the future of Kentucky. It was formally issued about two weeks ago and met with a welcome the heartiness of which left no doubt in the minds of those who have worked so industriously for the success of the movement that the convention would prove a history-making body.

### Happy Selection of Dates.

The selection of the dates for the meeting of the state commercial convention in Louisville was a happy solution of the question as to the best time that the industrial congress should be held. It falls in a week which will offer to the visitors to the Falls City a series of attractions unsurpassed in the same length of time in any city in the country. The May Music Festival is on May 9, 10 and 11. The Sons of Veterans hold their annual reunion on May 11 and 12, the days of the Commercial convention. The \$100,000 cyclorama of the Battle of Gettysburg is also in Louisville, and will be another attraction. And all week the races will be going on. In the running horse one of the closest approaches to perfection known has been developed. It is hoped that as the delegates to the Commercial convention look on the steeds dash under the wire they will hope the stronger that other Kentucky products may reach that perfection with proper handling.

### The State Commercial Convention

—Will build up our cities, large and small.  
—Will induce the restless and dissatisfied of other states to settle here.  
—Will improve and extend our country roads and our railroad facilities.  
—Will encourage every effort looking to the improvement of our navigable streams.

—Will bring together men who have faith in the future of Kentucky and who desire to manifest their faith by their works.  
—Will enhance the value of our agricultural lands by seeking the best methods for diversifying our products, and the best means for reaching the world's markets.

—Will aid our miners who are digging for coal in our hillsides, and those seeking markets for such products, or rock asphalt, the timber from our forests and iron from our ore beds.  
—Will encourage the coming of capital; not so much by offering bonuses or special privileges, but assuring to all men the full enjoyment of life, liberty and property, and the best facilities for exchange in all the markets of the world.

### State Commercial Convention Notes.

The mayors and judges are to act as delegates ex-officio.

One editor from every newspaper in the state has been invited as a delegate.

A special tobacco sale will be arranged by the tobacco warehouses to take place during the convention.

Either a banquet or a reception, followed by an elegant smoker, will be tendered the delegates after the convention has adjourned.

Rates of one fare for the round trip from any part of Kentucky have been secured over the railroads for delegates to the commercial convention.

An invitation will be extended to all the members of the legislature, to all congressmen, to Senators Lindsay and Deboe, to the court of appeals and to all the state officials to be present at the convention.

A competent stenographer has been engaged to take down all the speeches and proceedings of the convention so they may be published in pamphlet form and distributed over the state. This will give every county a look into the convention's work.

The time is ripe for a new campaign in behalf of the industrial, agricultural and commercial prosperity of Kentucky. The country stands upon the opening of a new industrial era. Millions of capital, foreign and domestic, will shortly be invested in America.

The executive committee has been notified by Mr. M. A. Scovell, director and chemist of the state college at Lexington, that he will prepare a paper on "The Possibilities of Kentucky as a Dairy State." This will be another feature to add to the interesting program.

Each mayor in the state and every county judge has been requested to appoint delegates to the convention. Cities of the first and second class will be entitled to 100 delegates; third class, 50; fourth class, 10; fifth class, 5; sixth class, 2. The county judge will appoint three delegates.

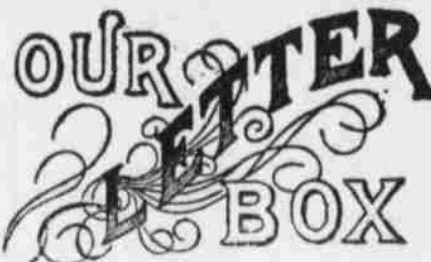
Kentucky has great coal fields, practically untouched. She has agricultural resources, unsurpassed. She has an abundance of timber, the value of which can not be overestimated. The state then needs men and capital to develop these natural stores of wealth, and the commercial convention offers the beginning of the opportunity.

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Correspondents will please send letters so as to reach us not later than 9 o'clock a.m. Give facts in as few words as possible. We want news in this department, and not advertising notices or political arguments.

### NEPTON NOTES.

A Correspondent Who Has Discovered Some News in an Entirely New Field.

Charles Roberts was at Paris this week. J. W. Myall and John Adams are fishing on Fleming creek this week.

Mrs. McCarty and little son Archie were visiting at Ewing the past week.

Mrs. I. J. Million, who has been sick the last few days, is better at this writing. Miss Mary Wilson Jackson of Maysville is the pleasant guest of Miss Juel Myall.

### SPRINGDALE SPLINTERS.

A Writer Who Hears to the Tune, Regardless Where the Chips Fall.

Mr. William Perkins of Tollesboro was here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sweet are entertaining a new son.

A number of our young men have purchased bicycles this spring.

Mrs. Rebecca Truett and Mr. James Sartia were married last week.

Mr. Ed. Bryant was here Thursday offering the farmers good prices for wool. Mr. Perry Henderson of Poplar Flat is delivering a fine lot of tanbark here for shipment to Cincinnati.

Mr. R. Roberts of Rome, O., is delivering a carload of fertilizer here for shipment to Poplar Flat and Tollesboro vicinity.

Mr. Sam McCarahan of Lewiston, Ill., who has been visiting relatives near here, returned home the past week. He took with him a fine Kentucky bred jack.

Smoke "Prince Henry"

A bath with Cosmo Buttermilk Soap, exquisitely scented, is soothing and beneficial. Sold by Chenoweth & Co.

The Pastor's Union of this city will meet on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the study of Rev. J. S. Hays of the First Presbyterian Church.

Coroner Wood held an inquest Saturday on the charred remains of Mrs. Ann Ford, who was burned in the Almshouse fire. The verdict was that she caused her own death by setting fire to the bedding by smoking a pipe.

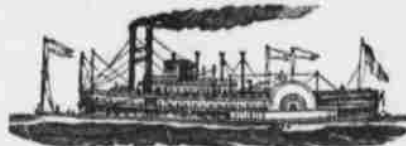
### When Nature

Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

C. and O. Excursion to Cincinnati. The first two-day excursion of the season to Cincinnati will be run under the auspices of the Knights of St. John May 4th, good returning May 5th; on account of German and Irish Fair to be held at Music Hall, one of the greatest attractions of the season. Also great ball game, Cincinnati vs. St. Louis. Fare for round trip \$1 25, good returning May 4th and 5th on trains Nos. 18 and 20 from Fourth Street Depot.

### FLOTSAM—JETSAM—LIGAN

NEWSY NOTES FROM NATURE'S GREAT HIGHWAY.



The Bonanza will pass down tonight from Pomeroy.

The Henry M. Stanley will pass up to night for Pomeroy.

The Virginia will pass down tonight from Pittsburgh with a big trip.

The Cincinnati and Memphis packet Sunshine sunk Friday near Owensboro, but was pumped out and proceeded on her way.

The first trip of the W. J. Cummings, the new Pittsburgh and Cincinnati packet, was all that could be wished for. She passed down yesterday.

The packet which Captain Dana will build for the lower river trade will ply between Pittsburgh and Louisville instead of Pittsburgh and New Orleans. The boat will be a sidewheeler, and will be the largest steamer built since the palmy days of steamboating on the rivers. She will make three round trips a month.

The river just now is at the best possible stage for navigation almost the entire distance from Pittsburgh to New Orleans and to St. Louis. All lines of steamers are running regularly, and nobody is complaining about dull business or lack of freight. The boats all seem to be doing well. From this time on a great many passengers will be carried by the steamboats, as the spring and early summer is the best time to travel by river. The safety and comfort of river travel can never be equaled by rail.

The order to sell the realty of James B. Key, assigned, has been set aside.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. H. W. Ray, adjoining Postoffice.

"All out for Electric Park" will soon be the cry of the motorcar on arrival at the Fairgrounds. The LEDGER understands that Colonel Lew Seeker, who was a prime favorite here last year, will have the management this season of the new park and theater.

In the State Fiscal Court at Frankfort Saturday a Jury assessed an \$1,900 fine against the Louisville Tobacco Warehouse Company, which was one of one hundred and twenty corporations under indictment for failing to report to the State Auditor in regard to corporate franchise taxes.

## Notice

### SUPERVISORS OF TAXES.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, MAYSVILLE, KY., May 24, 1898.  
Notice is hereby given that the Supervisors of Taxes for the city of Maysville will meet at the Council Chamber on

THURSDAY, MAY 12th, 1898.

for the purpose of examining and correcting the Assessor's list for the year 1898.

my 24 BENJAMIN T. COX, City Clerk.



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### KENTUCKY STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

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